

## April 2012





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Homeschool Day 10:00am-12:00pm *Grades K-4 1:30pm- 3:30pm * Grades 5-12 \$3/student RSVP  AUDUBON LECTURE Endangered Species 7pm free	6	7 Hike—9am—FREE  Brown Bag Lecture  Florida in Oils 12:00Noon * FREE
8	9	10	11	Swamp Tales  3:45pm * 3– 6 years old FREE	13	Nature for Families How Animals Use Their Colors 10:30am * \$4 per person *RSVP  Artists in Action 10am-1:30pm Plein Air Painters of TC 1:30-4:00pm Meet the Artists & demos
15	16	17 63 63 63	18	Oxbow's Natives  3:45pm * Ages 5 and up FREE	Treehouse Time 9:30am * 3 to 5 year olds FREE	Hike—9am—FREE  Art Class Soap and Wood Carving  10:00am-12:00pm *Adults 1:30 pm— 3:30 * Kids 8 and up \$20/person RSVP
22	23	24	25	26		28 Hike—9am—FREE  Painting in Oils  Workshop  1:00pm-3:00pm \$20/person  RSVP a must
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## APRIL IS "NATURE'S COLORS THROUGH ART MONTH" AT THE OXBOW

Visit the center for some free fun activities and check out our art from local artists.

The Oxbow Eco-Center is open Tuesday through Friday from 12pm-5pm and Saturday from 10am-5pm. The trails are open daily from dawn until dusk.

Guided Hikes — Every Saturday at 9:00 am — FREE no RSVP needed. — Enjoy a guided hike with one of Oxbow volunteer naturalists.

Homeschool Day "Survival 101"— April 5th at 10:00 am -12:00 pm for Grades K-4; 1:30 pm for Grades 5-12. Get lost in the woods with Oxbow staff! Using basic survival skills, like survival kits and the "Rule of 3", students will be finding their way back to the Center. Students need to be dressed appropriately with a hat and closed toe shoes. Be sure to bring plenty of water! \$3 per participant. RSVP a must.

St. Lucie Audubon Society Lecture—Endangered Species — April 5th at 7pm. Join the Audubon Society and Julie Wraithmell as she discusses endangered species of Florida. This is a FREE lecture and is open to the public.

"Florida in Oils" Lecture — April 7th at 12:00 pm. Join Charles Walker, a homegrown painter, as he shares his fine oil paintings, and gives you some of his tips for creating rich artwork. He will be joined by his wife, Gertrude Walker, herself an artist whose brother Livingston Roberts was one of the original Highwaymen. Bring your lunch and a friend to this free lunchtime lecture.

Swamp Tales— April 12th at 3:45 pm. Join us for a "novel" adventure with Miss Kitty. This story time is appropriate for ages 3 to 6.

Nature for Families "How Animals Use Their Colors"— April 14th at 10:30 am. Can you find me? Explore how animals use color to hide or camouflage in their habitats, warn other animals to stay away, find food, or even use their beautiful colors to get a boyfriend or girlfriend! Participants need to wear solid color t-shirts for the program. This program is appropriate for ages 5 and up; \$4 per participant and RSVP is a must.

Artists in Action Day April 14th 10 am—4 pm. Take a hike in the morning and meet artists at work in the great outdoors. The Plein Air Painters of the Treasure Coast will be setting up their easels along the trail, and creating art before your very eyes. Then meet the artists whose work will be showcased in the Center all month from 1:30—4:00 pm, as they demonstrate and talk about their work. This event is FREE and you may even be inspired to purchase a piece of art to take home.

Oxbow's Natives: "King Snake vs. Coral Snake"— April 19th at 3:45 pm. Red on yellow kill a fellow, red on black friend of Jack. Wait is that how it goes? Join Oxbow staff and learn about our native king snake and coral snake. This is a free program for ages 5 and up.

Treehouse Time — April 20th at 9:30 am. "Painting with Fruit." Toddlers will try out their artistic skills using fruit and create beautiful works of art. Be prepared to get dirty. This is a free program appropriate for ages 3 to 5 with an adult.

Art Class "Soap and Woodcarving" April 21st; Adult session 10 am -12 pm, Kids session (ages 8 -15) 1:30 pm- 3:30pm. Treasure Coast Art Association teams up with Oxbow to present the art of carving. Adults will be carving wood; kids will be carving soap. \$28 per participant (which includes ALL supplies and your own carving glove). RSVP a must.

Painting in Oils and Demonstration with Charles Walker - April 28th 1 pm—3 pm - Join the Oxbow Eco-Center for a special workshop and demonstration with Charles Walker. Walker's oil paintings highlight Florida native wildlife and landscapes with bold paint strokes and deep colors that bring the scene to life. The workshop is designed as a demonstration for those who want to just listen, watch and learn. Participants who want to practice along with Mr. Walker are encouraged to bring their easels and supplies. RSVP a must and \$20 pre-payment is required.



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Center Hours: Tuesday—Friday 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

(Trails are open dawn to dusk daily)

